

A BILL

To permit the use of statistical sampling procedures in the precertification or prepayment examination of vouchers.

Be it enacted in the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

No statute of the United States heretofore enacted or decision of the courts or of the accounting officers of the United States heretofore rendered, establishing the liability of certifying or disbursing officers for illegal, improper, or incorrect payments, shall be construed as prohibiting the use of adequate and effective statistical sampling procedures in the precertification or prepayment examination of vouchers by such officers. The Comptroller General <sup>shall</sup> may relieve any certifying or disbursing officer for a payment or certification of a voucher made in good faith in reliance on such a procedure if the officer may otherwise be relieved.

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